

Marriages

- 2 Wm Douglas - Nancy Miner 2-28-1828
- 3 Hardin Powell - Frances Jane Douglas 11-14-1850
- 4 Wm. H. Reinhart - Elizabeth Douglas 12-13-1853
- 5 Joseph Douglas - Elizabeth Beeter 9-7-1860
- 6 Joseph Douglas Sr - Elizabeth Martin 1- 1787

Births

- 8 Joseph Douglas Sr 4-8-1745
- 9 Margaret Douglas 11-6-1787
- 10 Nancy Douglas 5-25-1789
- 11 John Douglas 1-13-1791
- 12 Susy Douglas 8-24-1792
- 13 Joseph Douglas ~~8-1-1796~~  
~~5-28-1794~~
- 14 Wm Douglas 4-11-1799
- 15 James Douglas 11-6-1801
- 16 Hener Douglas 5-28-1794
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- 18 Nancy (Meriel) Douglas 5-18-1804
- 19 Frances Jane Douglas 12-10-1828
- 20 Joseph F. Douglas 6-7-1830
- 21 Elizabeth E. Douglas 5-31-1832
- 22 Sarah A Douglas 1-20-1834
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Washington formed from Nelson 1792  
Marion from Washington \$\$\$\$ 1854  
Greene from Lincoln and Nelson 1794  
Casey from Lincoln 1806

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- (1) Lucinda Douglas married, March 21, 1797, John Willis Clayton, Jr., son of John Willis and Mary Clayton. She married (second) November 15, 1832, Jesse Spinner. (See Clayton, Turpin, and Spinner families.)
- (2) David Douglas, born February 26, 1776; married, November 12, 1801, Sallie White, daughter of Captain Jacob and Hannah (Spiers) White, of Bedford County. (See forward.)
- (3) Susannah Douglas married, January 8, 1800, Henry Lane, Jr., son of Henry Lane, Sr. A daughter by this marriage, Sarah Lane, married Vincent Turpin, son of Thomas and Rachel (Cheatwood) Turpin, of Bedford County. (See Turpin family.)
- (4) John Douglas married, December 25, 1803, Nancy Rucker, daughter of William Rucker. In addition to other children by this marriage, these were the following:
  - (a) Catherine Willis Douglas; married, November 3, 1825, Jonathan W. Eads. Among other descendants of this marriage are the children of the late J. E. Moose, of Rockbridge County.
  - (b) Alfred Douglas; married (first), December 12, 1833, Agnes Paxton, of Arnold's Valley. One child, a daughter by this union. He married (second), Mary Jones (widow), of Bedford County. One child, a son. No children by his third wife, who was Lucy Spriggs, of Lancaster County, Virginia.
  - (c) Murphy Douglas; married, February 22, 1849, Catherine Louisa Luster, of Rockbridge County. Several children by this marriage living in Botetourt County, Virginia.
- (5) Murphy Douglas.
- (6) Polly Douglas married, March 1, 1805, John Ballard.
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(Drury Tucker and wife, Susanna Douglas had a number of children, among them being the two who married as follows:

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Among other children of George, Sr., and Mary Douglas of Albemarle County, was a son, James, who lived in Amherst and was, probably, the same who died in Rockbridge County, Virginia, in 1810. David Douglas, who died in Bedford County in 1791 (leaving children), is thought, also, to be a son of George, Sr., and Mary Douglas of Albemarle County.

James Douglas, who died in 1810 in Rockbridge County, Virginia, left a will (Will Book 3, page 360) in which he mentions wife, Elizabeth, and the following children viz: Sons, William, John, James, Jr., George, and Robert. Daughters, Agnes (Douglas) Dixon and Elizabeth Douglas.

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The Virginia Douglasses are descended from the Scottish family of Douglas—described by historians as the most powerful and widely celebrated family that Scotland ever produced. There are many legends of the origin of this family, but the first recorded is William of Douglas, the name being derived from the wild pastoral dale he possessed on the small river Douglas in Lanarkshire-Gael, "duf-glas" or "du'glas," meaning dark grey, from the color of its waters. William of Douglas appears as a witness to charters by the King and the Bishop of Glasgow between 1175 and 1213. He was either the brother, or the brother-in-law, of Sr. Freskin of Murray and had six sons, of whom Archibald, or Erkenbald, was his heir, and Brice rose to be Bishop of Moray. Archibald is a witness to charters between 1190 and 1232, and was knighted. Sir William of Douglas, apparently the son of Sir Archibald, figures in records from 1240 to 1273, and was the father of another Sir William, distinguished in family traditions as William the Hardy, who had three sons, viz: (1) The Good Sir James, (2) Hugh, and (3) Archibald. The Douglasses had, since the time of William the Hardy, held the title of Lords of Douglas; but in 1377, Sir William, who had fought at Bannockburn, was made Earl of Douglas, and by marriage became Earl of Mar. He died in 1384. The family rose into power under King Robert Bruce of whom "the good Lord James of Douglas" was the most distinguished adherent, but suffered a partial eclipse when the ninth Earl, James, rebelled against King James II. The Earls of Angus, however, partly restored the ancestral glory of the house, which has always continued to be one of the most important in Scotland.

The Good Sir James of Douglas is known as the greatest Captain of Bruce in the long war of independence. "The Black Douglas," as he was called, was victor in fifty-seven fights, his name being a terror to the border country. When his sovereign Robert Bruce lay dying, he told his knights of a longing he had always felt to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, and begged Sir James, as his most trusted and best loved knight, to carry his embalmed heart to Jerusalem and bury it under holy soil. Sir James gave his promise upon his knighthood. Bruce died 7 June 1329. Receiving the heart carefully embalmed and hid within a silver case, Sir James with a long train of Scotland's

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most gallant knights, set forth on his long pilgrimage to While on his way to Jerusalem (though Hume the historian family, says it was on his return from Jerusalem), he fighting against the Moors in Spain, and the silver casket the heart of Bruce was brought back with the body of Douglas buried in the Monastery of Melrose.

Remembering his gallant death, the Douglasses have ever time worn a bloody heart bearing a crown upon it. The original arms of the family, which were simply "three silver blue field" is not known. Following are the armorial bearings of the family most generally seen and used.

"Arms.—Argent, a man's heart gules ensigned with an imperial crown proper; on a chief azure three stars of the first."

(Reference: *Patronymica Britannica*, Lower; *Scottish Their Tartans*, Johnston.)

It is by no means unusual to find in our early records a spelling of the name of Douglas, but now generally spelled with an additional "n"—Douglan, but now generally, the family use the original spelling—Douglas.

In 1690, a Charles Douglas patented land in Henrico (Virginia Parish—again 1692 in Charles City County, Bristol As early as 1700, we find them patenting land in the counties of William and King and Queen.

From the early land grants in Virginia we have the patents:

(B. 9, p. 559) 1703.

George Douglas, pat. 180 A. lying between the lands of Morris and Wm. Rawlins, King William County.

(B. 9, p. 600) 16 April 1704.

Robert Douglas pat. 150 A. on branch of Pampatike Creek, John's Parish in King and Queen County.

(B. 10, L. Gr.) 1710.

Wm. Douglas pat. 275 A. land in King William County, Mattapony Creek.